

The Evening Service, six o'clock

You also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. Ephesians 2:22

- The Piano Prelude – My Shepherd Will Supply My Need arr. Page
Mrs. Cathie McClure, Pianist

The Opening Scripture Dr. John W. P. Oliver, *Missioner*

- † The Hymn No. 286 (*Trinity Hymnal*) REGENT SQUARE
Worship Christ, the Risen King!

The Invocation

- † The Hymn No. 287 (*Trinity Hymnal*) – Morning Sun MUSIC ANNO DOMINI

- † The Hymn No. 703 (*Trinity Hymnal*) EVERLASTING LOVE
Loved with Everlasting Love

The Evening Prayer

The Offering & Prayer of Dedication

The Piano Offertory – My Jesus, I Love Thee Gordon, arr. Bozard

- † The Hymn No. 623 (*Trinity Hymnal*) – Moment by Moment WHITTLE
On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

The New Testament Reading John 20:11–18 (*page 906*)

The Response

Leader: This is the Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – GARDEN SECRETS Dr. Oliver

- † The Hymn Insert – In the Garden GARDEN

- † The Benediction

The Piano Postlude

This Week at Christ Church

Week of May 4 – 10

SUNDAY, May 4

8:00 a.m. WGAC, 580AM and 95.1FM Radio Broadcast

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

Nursery (Birth–23 mos.) Nursery 1

Preschool (24–48 mos.) Nursery 2

K–4 – K–5 Covenant Hall

Grades 1–3 Children's House

Grades 4–5 Children's House

Middle & High School Youth Youth House

Special Education Deacons' Room

College & Career Upper Room

Adult Covenant Hall

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Sanctuary

On the second hymn, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.

12:30 p.m. Fellowship Luncheon Covenant Hall

4:00 p.m. Augusta Youth Chorale Rehearsal Sanctuary

5:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting Covenant Hall

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Sanctuary

On the third hymn, children in K4 through Grade 5 may exit for the Children's Program.

7:30 p.m. Youth Gathering Self Home

TUESDAY, May 6

7:00 p.m. Ministry for at-risk Women Townsend Home

WEDNESDAY, May 7

6:30 p.m. Youth Gathering Covenant Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

THURSDAY, May 8

6:30 p.m. Young Families/Young Couples Bible Study .. Parish Home

6:45 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study M. Boyd Home

FRIDAY, May 9

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast Covenant Hall

Assisting in the Services

Elders greeting at the doors before this morning's service are George Bowen & Mel Jewett.

Ushers are Will Boyd, Wade Caldwell, Jonathan Kimbrell, John Norkus & Ed Russell.

The Deacon on Duty is Will Crews.

Elders greeting at the doors next Lord's Day will be John Dunsmore & McDonald Law.

Ushers next Lord's Day will be Lamier Adams, Richard Deal, Mark Goodell, Charles Kimbrell & Mark Walters.

The Deacon on Duty will be Wade Caldwell.

Staff

The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*

Mrs. Becky Saxon, *Secretary/Bookkeeper*; Mr. Mark Dickens, *Evening Organist*;

Mr. Scott Doss, *AV & Social Media Director*; Mr. Charles Caruso, *Sexton*

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The Lord's Day, May 4, 2014

What Makes Life Worthwhile?

What makes life worthwhile is having a big enough objective, something which catches our imagination and lays hold of our allegiance; and this the Christian has in a way that no other person has. For what higher, more exalted, and more compelling goal can there be than to know God?

–J. I. Packer

The Morning Service, eleven o'clock

To Him who loved us and washed us from our sin in His own blood. Revelation 1:5

† indicates the congregation standing; • indicates seating for those detained

To avoid distractions during worship, please silence all cell phones and pagers.

Parents of young children are encouraged to take advantage of the nurseries and Cry Room.

- The Organ Prelude – Two Variations on O Waly Waly Linker

Laura Lowe, Organist

The Prelude is a time set aside for quieting our hearts before God in preparation for worship.

The Scriptural Call to Worship Isaiah 12:4b–6

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,

People: **Make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted.**

Pastor: Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;

People: **Let this be made known in all the earth.**

Pastor: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,

People: **For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

The Prayer of Invocation The Rev. J. Josiah Jones, *Pastor*

- † The Hymn No. 267 (*Trinity Hymnal*) LANCASHIRE

The Day of Resurrection!

† **The Confession of Faith** The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light; Very God of Very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven; and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Lord and Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead; and the life of the world to come. Amen. (*universal)

† **The Doxology** (*Trinity Hymnal No. 731*) OLD HUNDREDETH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession The Rev. Jones

The Private Confession of Sin

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon (1 John 1:8-9)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 9:23-24 (*page 638*)

The Response Isaiah 40:8

Pastor: The grass withers, and the flower fades,
People: **But the word of our God stands forever.**

The Offering and the Prayer of Dedication

(Please record your attendance in the green Friendship Register.)

The Offertory Anthem Christiansen

Lamb of God most holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,
Patient still and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer;
Our sins by Thee were taken, or hope had us forsaken:
Have mercy on us, O Jesu! (*Nicolaus Decius, 1531*)

† **The Hymn No. 56** (*Trinity Hymnal*) MANOAH

When All Your Mercies, O My God

On the final verse, children in K4 through Grade 3 may exit for Catechism.

The New Testament Reading John 17:3 (*page 903*)

The Response

Pastor: This is the Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

The Prayer for Illumination

The Sermon – KNOWING GOD The Rev. Jones

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

† **The Communion Hymn No. 170** (*Trinity Hymnal*) CRUSADER’S HYMN
Fairest Lord Jesus

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

The Distribution of the Elements – *Please partake as you are served.*

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

† **The Parting Hymn No. 386** (*Trinity Hymnal*) GOD BE WITH YOU
God Be with You Till We Meet Again

† **The Benediction**

† **The Benediction Response** (*sung by all*) – Threefold Amen DANISH
(*Trinity Hymnal No. 740*)

The Organ Postlude – All Glory, Laud and Honor Kaufmann

Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship today! Our hope is that as the Word is preached, as prayers are lifted up, and as hymns and anthems are sung, you will be blessed by the corporate worship of the triune God and will return to worship with us again soon. One of our Elders will be stationed near the piano following the service should you desire to know more about Christ Church, how to become a member here, or how to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Communion and Fellowship Luncheon

Today we will observe the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper during Morning Worship. Following the service we will enjoy our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in Covenant Hall. Fried chicken will be provided for a donation of any amount. If you are visiting with us today, you are warmly welcomed to be our guest.

Evening Worship

The Resurrection Day gathering of believers and appearance to them of the Risen Christ set the pattern for the Church of (morning and) evening worship. Let us with all due diligence return to close the Lord’s Day with every expectation of “seeing” the Risen Christ. Following vibrant congregational singing, Dr. Oliver will preach from the St. John’s account of Mary Magdalene encountering her Risen Lord.

Diaconate Relief Fund

All undesignated cash offerings collected each week are used for the Diaconate Relief Fund. Designated gifts may also be made to the Diaconate Relief Fund by noting the designation on the memo line of your check or on the envelope of your cash contribution. We remember the words of our Lord, “Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to Me” (Matt. 25:40).

Scripture Memory

If we are to wield the Sword in battle, we must wear it in our daily lives. Let us together, then, put on the Sword of the Spirit by memorizing and meditating upon this week’s Navigator verse: “Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine” (Proverbs 3:9-10; Navigator topic: Be Christ’s Disciple).

Other Announcements

Youth Gatherings – Tonight following Evening Worship the Youth of Christ Church will gather for a time of fellowship at the home of Sheila and Lee Self, 2070 Gardenview Drive in Graniteville. The Youth will also meet this Wednesday from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. Snack supper and fellowship will begin at 6:30, followed by a time of singing, praying and teaching. We continue learning about the Christian mind. Come fellowship and grow with us this Wednesday night.

Ministry for at-risk Women – MTW short-term missionary Katherine Long, involved in mercy ministry in Europe with women and children at risk due to human trafficking, will share about this work at the home of Jenny and Don Townsend, 1538 River Island Parkway in Evans, at 7:00 this Tuesday evening. Take this opportunity to learn more about the gravity of this issue, both internationally and here in Augusta, by attending. Please let Jenny know you will attend by contacting her at donjohntownsend@gmail.com.

Women’s Evening Bible Study – All ladies are invited to be a part of the Women’s Bible Study that meets this Thursday at 6:45 p.m. at the home of Monica Boyd, 9 Summerville Lane in Augusta. The ladies are studying the book of Psalms.

Young Families & Young Couples Bible Study – All young families and young couples are encouraged to attend this Bible study Thursday evening at the home of Natalie and Ora Parish, 609 Woodwalk Lane in Martinez. This group gathers the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. for dinner, prior to exploring the indescribable joy experienced when we obey Christ’s command to “Follow Me.” Childcare will be provided.

Men’s Prayer Breakfast – Men of Christ Church are encouraged to participate in this weekly prayer breakfast. Seven o’clock this Friday morning holds a delicious homemade breakfast, great fellowship around the table and a brief devotional before a precious time of prayer!

Resurrection Festival Service CDs – Compact disc recordings of this year’s Resurrection Festival Service will be available soon. The cost per disc is \$12, and orders may be placed using the sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table.

Vacation Bible School

Please register now for our Faith Expedition, June 16-20. Registration forms are on the Welcome Table. Use one form per child, and please complete all information. Place the completed form in the VBS basket. Also, there are helper positions available and forms next to the basket to indicate interest in serving. It is not too late to sign up to assist. Contact Fay Deal at 803-278-1176 or runningdeal@gmail.com with questions.

All VBS volunteers should mark their calendars and plan to attend the VBS General Meeting on Saturday, May 17, from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. in Covenant Hall.

Pray for Our Missionaries

Remember these missionaries and organizations designated for special prayer in our worship services today and in your daily prayers this week:

Grace Cornelison, *Teen Missions International, Malawi, East Africa*

Heritage Academy, *Augusta, Georgia*

Tim and Lana Higginbotham, *NAIM, Vancouver, Canada*

Kermit and Cheryl Horn, *World Team, France*